

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

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PLETTENBERG (Clerk & Recorder)

Date.....June 18, 2007

Members Present.....Commissioner Alan Thompson,
Commissioner Jim Rokosch, Commissioner Kathleen Driscoll and Commissioner
Carlotta Grandstaff.

Minutes: Glenda Wiles

The Board met for various administrative matters as follows:

Office of Emergency Management Director Ron Nicholas addressed the Board in regard to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) of Military Affairs & the Western Interoperable Communications Consortium and the appointment of the Representative to the Consortium. Ron gave some back ground to the consortium which stems from the Office of Homeland Security. Due to the terror attacks of September 11th, the Federal Government saw the need for a communication system (for law enforcement and emergency management) that is compatible with other jurisdictions. Whatever funding Ravalli County obtains will come from the Federal Government, but the state decides which counties obtain funding. Ron stated while the large cities are becoming compatible in their communications equipment, it might be quite some time before Ravalli County 'is up to par with other counties or cities'. Ravalli, Mineral, Sanders, Lake and Missoula County belong to one consortium. Ron noted there are no changes between this years' MOU than the previous year.

Commissioner Rokosch made a motion to adopt the MOU for the Department of Military Affairs & Western Interoperable Communications Consortium, and the approval of Ron Nicholas with Eric Hoover as the Alternate, to serve as the Representative of Ravalli County to this consortium. Commissioner Driscoll seconded the motion and all voted "aye". It was noted the Board concurred Commissioner Thompson will sign as Vice-Chair since the Chairman is absent.

Discussion also took place in regard to the ISC 300 training next week for two days at Marcus Daly Hospital. This training is part of the requirement of the National Incident Command System and funds the county receives. Discussion included the requirements of the previous training of ICS 700/800 & 100/200; and how difficult the ISC 300 class will be if the attendee does not have that background. It was agreed Commissioner Thompson will attend the ISC 300 class since has attended the other classes and the new Commissioners will go on line and complete the previous courses. At some point, the new Commissioners will need to attend the ISC 300 course.

The Board also addressed a request by Powell Surveying to approve a deed from the Grants Meadows Homeowners Association (Developer Ken Senn) for an easement on Grantsdale Road. The deed is to clarify the easement width for Grantsdale Road adjacent to the Grants Meadows Subdivision. When the subdivision plat was prepared, Powell Survey assumed the western boundary of the property was set 30' from the centerline of Grantsdale Road. After the lot layout of the subdivision, Powell Surveying discovered this was not the case. Therefore, this grants an easement across the western feet (9' or less) of the Homeowners Park to cover the 30' easement of the constructed centerline. Planning Director Karen Hughes noted this easement should have been signed several months ago, but it was left over from the previous Civil Counsel (James McCubbin) work load. Commissioner Rokosch made a motion to accept the grant and conveyance of easement for a public road (Grantsdale) as described above. Commissioner Grandstaff seconded the motion and all voted "aye".

The Board reviewed the FY 2008 contract for services with Attorney Michael Hayes. This contract is for the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHS) services (Guardian Ad Litem etc. for children) within Ravalli County. Commissioner Grandstaff made a motion to renew this contract with Michael Hayes for FY 2008. Commissioner Rokosch seconded the motion. Commissioner Driscoll asked how these charges are incurred in the billing process and budgeted monies that are left over. It was noted the Commissioners set aside \$120,000 for FY2007 and they are hopeful some of these monies will not be utilized so they can be rolled over into the next fiscal year. All voted "aye".

The Board addressed calendaring issues which included the site visits for subdivisions and upcoming union negotiations. It was agreed Commissioner Chilcott will continue to work with the Road Department Negotiations, Commissioner Thompson will continue to work with the Detention Negotiations, Commissioner Rokosch will work with the Deputies Negotiations and Commissioner Grandstaff will work with the 9-1-1 Negotiations.

Commissioner Thompson gave a brief recap of the Rural Schools Act for Forested Counties. This issue will become important for the Board during budget discussions as the County will be required to decide which formula they would like to utilize for funding that will come from the federal government. (Ravalli County received \$365,000 during the previous fiscal year of which 15% of these funds went to the Resource Advisory Counsel, approximately \$200,000 to the Road Department and \$100,000 to the

schools). Internal Auditor Klarryse Murphy was also present for this discussion. She noted the Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding was approximately \$5,500 lower than last year. While she was disappointed in this small drop of funds, she was pleased the PILT is still being funded to this degree as the county is in great needs of these funds. These funds have discretionary usage for the County. Klarryse noted a great portion of these funds are utilized for law enforcement, roads and general reserves.

The Board met for a litigation strategy meeting with Civil Counsel Alex Beal during the afternoon hours.